Although the National Guard finds its roots in colonial militias, today's Guard has adapted to keep up with the technological changes that have reshaped our Nation's fighting force. The Orange Unit exemplifies this progress. The unit's communications expertise enables it to coordinate air missions and track aircraft using radar and even satellite communications.

The Orange Air National Guard Unit distinguished itself among all Air Force units to earn this well-deserved honor not only by standing at the ready, but by actively participating in numerous missions around the globe. Whenever duty called, they were there.

The Orange Unit has worked hard to stem the tide of illegal drugs entering our country by tracking drug flights in the Colombian jungle, as well as on the Texas-Mexican border. As the first Air National Guard Unit to participate in Operation Deny Flight to prevent air attacks in the former Yugoslavia, the Orange Air Guard Unit ably replaced an active Air Force Unit and coordinated air operations over this dangerous area. The unit's communications support has been vital to U.S. forces in Haiti and NATO exercises in Turkey.

In these and other missions, the Orange Air Guard Unit has set itself apart. Congratulations, and thank you for your dedicated service.

TRIBUTE TO RABBI PHILIP LAZOWSKI

HON. BARBARA B. KENNELLY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 30, 1995

Mrs. KENNELLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to Rabbi Philip Lazowski, Ph.D, of Bloomfield, CT, who is

being recognized for 40 years of spiritual leadership and service.

Dr. Lazowski was born in Belitza, Poland, in 1930. Eighteen years later, he emigrated to the United States and began taking classes that would eventually lead to a bachelor of religious education degree from Yeshiva University in 1955; a bachelor of arts degree from Brooklyn College in 1956; a master of science degree from Yeshiva in 1960; a doctorate of Jewish literature from the Jewish Teachers Seminary and People's University in 1970; and a doctorate of divinity from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America in 1992.

Rabbi Lazowksi's first calling was as the spiritual leader of Congregation Beth Sholom in Manchester, CT, where he served for 14 years. In 1969 he accepted the position of spiritual leader of Beth Hillel Synagogue in Bloomfield, CT. He was supported in his work by his wife, the former Ruth Rabinowitz, and their three sons, Barry, Alan, and David.

It was during his tenure at Beth Hillel that he began his work on behalf of many professional, civic, and humanitarian organizations, including: the Rabbinical Assembly in Connecticut; the Hartford Police Department; the Institute of Living; the National U.J.A. Rabbinical Cabinet; the Educators Assembly of the United States and Canada, American Association of Jewish Educators; the Hartford Jewish Federation; and Bloomfield Interfaith Homes.

Rabbi Lazowski is known not only for his spiritual leadership, but for his intellectual integrity that invites others to follow his example. He is admired and respected by countless people, of all religious beliefs.

Now, after four decades of selfless service, Rabbi Lazowski is being recognized by congregants, colleagues, family, and friends. His contributions to the Greater Hartford community, the State of Connecticut, and the Na-

tion set a standard for future generations to emulate.

A TRIBUTE TO JIM BRADY AND GUN CONTROL

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 30, 1995

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Jim Brady and the historic Brady law which has reduced gun violence in America.

Tody marks the 14th anniversary of the attack by a lone gunman on President Reagan outside of a Washington hotel which left Jim Brady critically wounded.

Although severely disabled, Jim Brady has become a spokesperson for all Americans who live in fear because of gun violence. Without his leadership, I believe Congress would not have passed legislation requiring a 5-day waiting period before a person can purchase a firearm.

Mr. Speaker, waiting periods work.

In California over the past 2 years, our 15-day waiting period has helped deny firearms purchases to nearly 12,000 people, including 6,000 people convicted of assaults and 141 people under restraining orders for domestic violence.

Let's not fall victim to the gun lobby which is flexing its muscles in an attempt to overturn Federal laws supported by 92 percent of all Americans.

In the spirit of Jim Brady and millions of his admirers across this country and on behalf of the countless victims of unnecessary shootings, I urge Members to repel the gun lobby's request to overturn the Brady law and the assault weapons ban.